

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/656,034 Confirmation No. 8482
Applicant(s) : James Hunter Boone
Filed : 09/05/2003
Title : Method for Distinguishing Ulcerative Colitis From Crohn's
Disease by Detecting the Presence of Fecal Anti-Neutrophil
Cytoplasmic Antibodies (ANCA)
Group Art Unit : 1641
Examiner : David J. Venci
Docket No. : TLAB.100294
Customer No. : 05251

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Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

The Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time up to and including April 4, 2008, to respond to the Office Action mailed October 4, 2007, in the above-referenced application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), the required fee is included herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any overpayment or underpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2112.

AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Final Office Action dated January 26, 2007, Applicants respond as follows:

Amendments to the Claims: Begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification: None.

Remarks: Begin on page 7 of this paper.